

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2002-269-C - ORDER NO. 2002-749
OCTOBER 23, 2002

IN RE: Application of Granite Telecommunications,) ORDER GRANTING
LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience) EXTENSION TO
and Necessity to Provide Resold and) PREFILE TESTIMONY
Facilities-Based Local Exchange and Long)
Distance Telecommunications Services; and)
For Flexible and Alternative Regulation.)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Request of Granite Telecommunications, LLC (Granite or the Applicant) for an extension of time in which to prefile its testimony and exhibits. Previously, by Order No. 2002-648 dated September 10, 2002, this Commission established prefiling deadlines by which the Applicant was to prefile its testimony and exhibits on or before October 9, 2002.

By the request for an extension of time dated October 11, 2002, counsel for Granite requested that the Commission grant Granite an extension of time to prefile its direct testimony and exhibits in this matter until October 15, 2002. Granite's counsel stated that due to an error in office procedure, she never received the Commission's Order establishing prefiling deadlines for this proceeding although the Order establishing prefiling deadlines was delivered to her office. Due to this error, Granite seeks an extension until October 15, 2002 to file its testimony in this matter. Further, Granite

provided a Certificate of Service that the parties of record had been served with a copy of Granite's request.

Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission discerns no prejudice to any other party in granting the requested extension in this matter and concludes that the request of Granite for an extension to file its testimony should be granted. Accordingly, we approve and grant the request for the extension of time to prefile direct testimony and exhibits. Under the modified prefile date, Granite shall prefile and serve its direct testimony and exhibits on or before **October 15, 2002**. (The Applicant may file and serve the direct testimony and exhibits by mail on the indicated date.) The other requirements set out by Order No. 2002-648 remain in effect.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Mignon L. Clyburn, Chairman

ATTEST:



Gary E. Walsh, Executive Director

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